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SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS OF THREATENING LETTERS SENT TO US
CONGRESSMEN AND GREEK JOURNALIST

1. FOLLOWING EXCHANGE TOOK PLACE AT DEPT'S NOON PRESS
BRIEFING JULY 13:

BEGIN TEXT: Q: AN ORGANIZATION CALLED THE TURKISH ATTACK
UNITS HAS SENT RECENTLY WHAT IS CALLED AN "ULTIMATUM" TO
SOME MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN WHICH IT THREATENS THAT "WHO-
EVER RAISES OBSTACLES TO TURKEY WILL HAVE THE SAME FATE
AS PRESIDENT KENNEDY."

AND ALSO A SIMILAR MESSAGE WAS SENT TO GREEK JOURNALISTS
IN NEW YORK CITY. DOES THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAVE ANY
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INFORMATION ON THIS ORGANIZATION?

AND IF IT DOES, WHAT DOES THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT PLAN TO
DO, IN ORDER TO PROTECT THESE INDIVIDUALS?

A: MR. ROUBATIS, I HAVE NEVER HEARD OF THE ORGANIZATION
TO WHICH YOU REFER. OBVIOUSLY ANY THREATS OF VIOLENCE ARE

A MATTER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, THE FEDERAL BUREAU
OF INVESTIGATION AND LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES TO DEAL WITH.

I SUGGEST THAT YOU DIRECT YOUR QUESTION THERE. END TEXT.

2. DEPTOFF HAS BEEN TOLD THAT ONE GREEK CORRESPONDENT IN
NYC (EVSTATHIADIS) RECEIVED SUCH A LETTER, BUT WE ARE
NOT INFORMED WHETHER ANY CONGRESSMEN HAVE. DEPT WILL
ADVISE ADDRESSEES OF ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. CHRISTOPHER

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